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Docket No.: 80001-3211  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Utility Application of:  
Hiroshi Mukawa et al.

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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD, ITS Examiner: D. I. Lee  
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**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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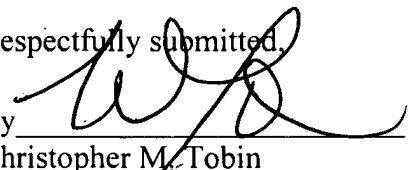
Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the representative named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive an Office Action from the Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. SON-3211 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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